

2 Captains At Arsenal Promoted

The promotion of Capt. Walter J. Doyle, production chief, and Capt. Edward B. McGowan, contracting officer's representative to the rank of major has been announced by Col. Ronald B. Currens, Arsenal commander.

It is interesting to note that Major Doyle and President Eisenhower have at least one thing in common in that they were born within four blocks of each other in the railroad town of Dennison, Tex. Educated at Georgia Tech. and LeLand Stanford university, he was identified with a number of large mining companies thruout the United States and South America. Entering military service at the outbreak of World War II he was assigned to the Ordnance Corps and until his separation in 1946 was identified with a number of important ordnance projects thruout the United States and overseas.

UNTIL his recall to active duty in 1949 he was associated with the construction industry in California. Prior to January 1952 when he was assigned to the Joliet Arsenal, Major Doyle held an important post on the General Staff in the territory of Alaska.

Gardening and photography are his main hobbies. He resides on the post with his wife and son. An older son is a junior student at the University of Hawaii.

Maj. Edward B. McGowan, a native of Memphis, Tennessee and a graduate of Central High school of that city was graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in business administration.

PRIOR TO entering military service in March 1942, he had been associated with E. I. DuPont and Co. Before his separation from the Ordnance Corps in 1947, he served overseas as an Ordnance Officer with the 3rd and 7th Army. Recalled to the active service in 1951, he was assigned directly to the Joliet Arsenal in the capacity of contracting officer's representative. An avid bowler and holder of the high individual score in the Arsenal Bowling league, Major McGowan and his wife Ida reside on the post with their son, Edward Jr., a senior at the Joliet Township High school and captain in the ROTC.



ARSENAL PROMOTIONS—Capt. Edward B. McGowan (left), and Capt. Walter J. Doyle, are shown being congratulated by Col. Ronald B. Currens, Joliet Arsenal commander, upon their promotions.